

# ENORMOUS LOSS PROPERTY FROM FOREST FIRES.

Many Sections of Vermont  
Enveloped in Flames Which  
Are Eating Up the Heart  
of the Finest Timber in  
the State.

Thousands of Acres of Land  
Have Already Been Burned  
Over in the Central Part of  
the State--The Flames Are  
Now Subsiding.

Montpelier, June 4.—Forest fires in this vicinity have done an immense amount of damage to timber land and have destroyed several mills and other buildings. The flames were driven by the high wind of yesterday afternoon with great rapidity, and the hands of fire fighters in the threatened districts could make but little headway against them. Last night this city was enveloped in a cloud of dense smoke which caused considerable apprehension with some people as the wind was blowing in the direction of Montpelier from the Worcester fire.

The fire was confined, however, in that neighborhood to the Worcester mountain, although it was moving towards Mount Hunger, threatening to envelop that at any time. Already the flames have swept over 1,500 acres of heavy timber land, which is valued at \$50 an acre. The heaviest losers are C. C. Putnam & Son who have lost 300 acres, Stowe Lumber Co., 250 acres, Baird & Ross, 400 acres and George Morse 500 acres.

The Russell lumber mill on Hampshire hill was burned yesterday but the loss was not large as the machinery was taken out some time ago.

Morrisville's fire department was called out yesterday afternoon to protect the Eagle Ledge road and the main highway leading to that place. The fire had come to within three miles of Worcester. Corners last night, but with the going down of the wind the spread was less rapid. Abbott's store at that place was on fire today, having caught from sparks from the forest fire, but the blaze was easily extinguished. The people of that neighborhood have their goods packed ready for a hurried departure if the wind comes up again as it did yesterday.

Along the Montpelier & Wells River R. R. line the fire made a rapid advance but contrary to the report the Goslant mills were not burned. The buildings there were pretty well protected by building back fire about the cluster of houses including the depot.

The fire is traveling toward Peacham pond which is three miles from Lanesboro, and the territory is covered by a heavy growth of timber.

The damage caused by the fire is estimated at \$25,000. Mr. Goslant being the heaviest loser. Some of his best timber land, however, has not been touched. The fire has laid waste some second cut which was rapidly growing and in a few years could be gone over again. Mark Mear's \$10,000 strip was burned two-thirds over yesterday. The fire has spread through no less than a dozen different plots. All efforts will be made to keep it on the north side of the railroad track, because if it gets over the track some of the best timber in this section of the state will be burned.

## RAGING AT WEST BURKE.

Burke Mountain Being Devastated by  
Flames.

West Burke, June 4.—A fierce forest fire is raging on Burke mountain in this town and all efforts of a large number of fire fighters to check it have been unavailing thus far. The fire has been burning for a long time, it having started about the first of May.

The mountain is covered with fine timber as there is in the state, and the loss will be very large. H. K. Darling of New York, the owner of the property, has had a big force of men at work for some time trying to stop the fire, but the whole mountain is fair to be burned over.

## STONECUTTERS FIGHT FIRE.

Woodbury Granite Co. Stops Down for  
that Purpose.

Hardwick, June 3.—At 2 p. m. this afternoon the Woodbury Granite company shut down their works and put their full force consisting of about 350 men into the woods to fight the fire. In all probably 500 men have been at work during the afternoon and have been able to keep the fire in check. A close watch will be kept up during the night.

The buildings of Merrill Drown and Albert Goodrich were burned to the ground today, with a loss of \$3,500 only partially covered by insurance.

## FIRES ABOUT WATERBURY.

Hills in All Directions Are Burning  
Furiously.

Waterbury, June 3.—The worst forest fires around Waterbury are raging today, having begun yesterday. There is a large one at the State farm in Duxbury, a short distance from here. It started several days ago and is now burning in the best timber lot. All the farm help and many

other men are fighting the fire but it is nearly useless.

The fires on Hogback and Loomis Hill and Woodard Hill, which have been going for several weeks, are burning furiously now. A strong wind is blowing.

## FIRES AT WILLOUGHBY LAKE.

Great Force of Men Trying to Save Summer Cottages and the Village.

Barton, June 3.—Forest fires are raging on hills, west shore of Willoughby Lake, are threatening to burn the summer cottages along that famous summer resort. Fires have also just started in the region of May pond, two miles east of Barton, and the fire in the woods near South Barton is calling all the available assistance from this village to check it if possible, the factories shutting down and sending employees. Something like 300 acres of woodland have been burned over in these regions, and unless there is rain directly the villages will be in great danger.

## LEAVES FROM THE FIRE.

Charred Particles Driven 16 Miles by the  
Wind to this City.

The smoke from the forest fires at Worcester and Lanesboro, driven by the strong wind, settled down over this city yesterday afternoon and last evening. The atmosphere was filled with smoke this morning also. Various stories were spread abroad that the Worcester fire had approached within a short distance of Montpelier and that Goslant's mill at Lanesboro was burned. Both reports were found to be without foundation.

Burned leaves and particles of other burned matter were driven from the Worcester fire to this city, a distance of 16 miles. The leaves fell in considerable quantities in the streets here.

## FIRES IN ADDISON COUNTY.

Hundreds of Acres of Fine Timbered Land  
Ruined.

Middlebury, June 3.—The forest fires in the east part of the town are still raging and are doing a lot of damage. Colonel Chapman whose mill is in the midst of the fire is thought to be safe as he has a large gang of men on hand day and night and they have large trenches dug to prevent it from running. The fire has spread over several hundred acres of the finest timbered land on the Green Mountains and has ruined the largest part of it.

## NEAR VERGENNES.

Buildings Are Endangered By Rapid  
Spread.

Vergennes, June 3.—The fire on land belonging to W. D. Woodman, which has been burning for several days and which it was supposed had been extinguished, broke out afresh Tuesday afternoon and a force of about 25 men were required to keep it from crossing the highway near the Boynton house.

## BUILDINGS BURNED.

Castleton Farm Devastated By Fierce Fire  
Today.

Rutland, June 3.—The old buildings on the Hancock farm at Castleton were burned today having been in the path of forest fires. The loss is not large.

## LITTLETON, N. H., THREATENED.

Forest Fires Promise Much Damage in  
New Hampshire.

Littleton, N. H., June 3.—This town is threatened tonight by forest fires on two sides. Smoke is so dense over the town that it is impossible to see down the valley an eighth of a mile. The fire department has set down all the roofs in the business portion of the town, and the entire company will be on duty all night.

Fires are threatening in the neighborhood of Lancaster, Berlin, Enfield, Concord, Meredith and other places.

## IN NEW YORK STATE

Immense Tracts of Timber in Mountains  
Burning.

Glen Falls, N. Y., June 4.—Fires have broken out in the Cedar River region and the worst is feared. The Catlin lake region is also ablaze. A big fire is burning near Long Lake. Ashes from the Catskill range near Lake George, are being blown here 25 miles. The surface of the lake is literally covered with ashes for a dozen miles.

## BOSTON WAS YELLOW.

Wind Drove Smoke from Forest Fires  
Over City.

Boston, June 4.—Smoke from the forest fires is being blown over the city today and the sun hangs in the heavens like a ball of fire. Early this morning everything was given a yellow tinge similar to that of the famous yellow day in 1881, but before noon the phenomenon fled.

## SEVERE IN ADIRONDACKS.

Appeals for Aid in Fighting Fire Coming  
In.

Plattsburg, N. Y., June 4.—An Adirondack lodge at the hotel owned by State Librarian Dewey, three miles from Lake Placid, was burned last night by forest fires. The Cascade, Lake house and Mountain View house near by are in great danger. Appeals for help are coming in from almost every point in the Adirondacks.

## RUIN THREATENED.

Continued Drought Makes Crop Situation  
Very Serious.

Barlington, June 3.—Hay is retailing on the streets of Burlington today for \$18 a ton, an unprecedentedly high price.

Farmers are turning their cattle into the meadows or feeding them grain and hay in the barns.

The situation is extremely serious and unless rain comes soon the hay crop and many of the products of the soil will be a total loss.

Cassius Peck, director of the state experiment farm, told a reporter today that he had never seen such an extended drought in Vermont at this season.

He predicts a total loss for the hay crop unless relief comes soon.

Lake Champlain and the Winoski river were never so low the first of June in the recollection of the oldest inhabitant.

## RECEIVER FOR RAILROAD.

One is Asked for the Brattleboro & Whitehall R. R.

Brattleboro, June 3.—A bill in equity has been brought for the appointment of a temporary receiver of the Brattleboro & Whitehall railroad company and the towns and persons interested in the railroads and is against the New London & Northern Railroad company, to which the lease was originally given and the Central Vermont Railroad company, the lessees of the New London & Northern system, now in possession of the Brattleboro & Whitehall roads.

The bill sets forth as breaches of the lease, the failure of the Central Vermont to properly operate the road, stating that the roadbed is in extremely bad condition and unsafe for travel; that the locomotives and cars are worn, old, out of repair and unfit for service; and that the business of the line is suffering great damage in consequence.

## WATER SUBSIDING.

And Water Being Pumped in Kansas City  
Reservoirs.

Kansas City, June 4.—The Turkey Creek pumping station was started this morning. Before night it is believed water will be pumped into one of the city's reservoirs and the work of flushing the clogged sewer will be begun. The river fell eighteen inches in the last twenty-four hours.

## SET FOR REVENGE.

Dig Window Glass Plant at Magnolia, N. J., Burned.

Magnolia, N. J., June 4.—The entire plant of the Atlantic Window Glass company was burned this morning. The loss is \$75,000. It is believed the fire was set for revenge by some of the employees, several hundred of whom were thrown out of employment last week by the closing of the works.

## RUTLAND'S GRIST.

Five Drunks Disposed of in Court Yesterday.

Rutland, June 3.—Judge W. M. Ross and Grand Juror J. Walter Lyons held a session of city court this morning and disposed of five offenders, four of them drunks. Another drunk was fined this afternoon.

## Italians on Strike

Rutland, June 3.—Seventy-five Italian workmen in the employ of the Rutland Street Railway company at Castleton went on strike this morning. They had been working on what is known as Westcott Flats on the Fair Haven extension. They were getting \$1.50 a day and demanded \$1.50.

## EAST MONTPELIER

Miss Susie Renfrew of Plainfield spent  
Sunday at J. H. Hooker's.

Miss Rev. M. M. Selman returned Tuesday from a two weeks' visit in Boston.

Harry Daniels was at Marshfield Tuesday.

Mrs. F. P. Kelton was in Montpelier Tuesday.

J. B. Hooker has finished work at Plainfield and is now working in the freight office at Montpelier.

Rev. N. D. Witham went to Woodsville Wednesday for a short visit.

Mrs. J. M. Willard is holding her own and there are hopes of her recovery.

The license commissioners refused the application of Frank Donnelly for a second and third class license. J. H. Bero has now made an application for a license.

Katie North who has lived at Mrs. Frank LeBaron's and her sister, Susie, who has lived at Aaron Witham's since they became town charges were taken by Overseer of the Poor Eri Morse from their homes and placed with Herbert Alnoworth who lives near Sodam. Susie, when taken, took the change very hard. Her crying was heard for more than a mile away. She was taken from the school house. This action has created considerable feeling among some of the towns people.

## WILLIAMSTOWN

Albion Briggs who has been in poor health for the past two years, died at his home here yesterday morning at the age of 70 years.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ingalls and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. House were in Northfield yesterday and last evening to attend the state meeting of the Eastern Star.

There will be a called convocation of Charity Chapter, Eastern Star, Monday evening. All members are requested to be present.

The line has just been completed over the hill to Washington and people can telephone that way now instead of through the Chelmsworth switch as before.

Mrs. McAllister received news that her mother was quite poorly at her home in Tunbridge.

There was a good attendance at the Grange last evening and a fine programme was carried out.

## EASTERN STAR CONVOCATION

Mrs. Alida Dunham of  
Barre an Officer.

## THE SESSION IS FINISHED

Has Been Very Successful Gathering,  
With About Two Hundred  
and Fifty Attending.

Northfield, June 4.—There were about 250 people present at the 31st annual convocation of the Order of the Eastern Star of Vermont yesterday, the session having opened Monday evening. The address of welcome was given yesterday by Mrs. Myrtle L. Davis, worthy matron, which was responded to by Mrs. Ada Taylor of Bennington, grand matron. The forenoon session was given up to the presentation of reports and routine business. A short session was held this morning.

On Tuesday evening the degrees of the order were conferred on two candidates, and a reception was held. Wilder's orchestra of Montpelier furnishing music. The convocation has been held in Masonic hall, Naomi chapter having charge.

Officers were elected at the afternoon session and installed this evening. The list of officers follows:

Grand patron, George F. Root, Newport; grand matron, Mrs. Hattie O. Taylor, Brattleboro; assistant grand patron, J. H. Mears, Cabot; assistant grand matron, Mrs. Alida Dunham, Barre; grand secretary, H. L. Stilson, Bennington; grand treasurer, Mrs. H. M. Whitney, Windsor; grand conductress, Mrs. W. E. Griswold, Springfield; grand assistant conductress, Mrs. L. Chase, Jeffersonville; grand warden, Mrs. Jessie Bigelow of Winoski; grand chaplain, the Rev. I. P. Chase, Newport Center; grand lecturer, Mrs. Elms M. Miller, Newport; grand marshal, Mrs. Nellie Leland, Springfield; Adah, Mrs. Phyllis Burdette of Wallingford; Ruth, Mrs. Anna Wheatley, Montpelier; Esther, Mrs. Merle Davis, Northfield; Martha, Mrs. Ellen Woodcock, Manchester; Electa, Mrs. Jennie Brown, White River Junction; sentinel, Dr. F. G. Pettie, Brattleboro; committee foreign correspondence, Mrs. Ally Hall, Newport.

The officers were installed by Past Grand Patron J. H. McLeod of Hardwick and Past Grand Matron Mrs. Minnie H. Parsons of Island Pond.

## OFFICERS ELECTED.

Vermont Eclectic Medical Society in  
Session.

Montpelier, June 4.—At a meeting of the Eclectic Medical association yesterday afternoon the following officers were elected: President, W. F. Templeton, M. D., Glover; vice presidents, F. H. Godfrey, M. D., Chelsea; J. W. Marsh, M. D., Manchester Center; George W. Flak, M. D., Cuttingsville; secretary, H. L. Templeton, M. D., Montpelier; corresponding secretary, Charles Hardwick, M. D., Derby; treasurer and librarian, H. E. Templeton, Montpelier; censors, J. B. H. Cashman, East Charleston, P. L. Templeton, M. D., Montpelier, and E. A. Farlin, Barton Landing.

The papers presented were: "Pneumonia," by Dr. J. W. Marsh; "Gastritis," by Dr. E. A. Farlin; "Our Eclectic Materia Medica," by Dr. H. N. Waite; "Appendicitis," by Dr. F. H. Godfrey.

## LEAGUE BASE BALL.

Boston Americans Strengthen Hold On  
First Place.

Yesterday's American League scores:  
At New York, Boston 9, New York 3.  
At Washington, Philadelphia 5, Washington 2.

American League Standing.

Won.	Lost.	Pct.	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	
Chicago	22	15	.593	Cleveland	17	.418
Boston	20	15	.571	Detroit	17	.418
Philadelphia	22	19	.537	New York	18	.418
St. Louis	19	14	.576	Washington	10	.298

Yesterday's National League scores:  
At Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh 5, New York 1.  
At Cincinnati, Boston 6, Cincinnati 0.  
At Chicago, Chicago 11, Brooklyn 8.  
At St. Louis, St. Louis 4, Philadelphia 3.

National League Standing.

Won.	Lost.	Pct.	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	
Chicago	20	11	.645	Boston	17	.418
New York	20	15	.571	Cincinnati	19	.418
Pittsburgh	17	11	.607	Philadelphia	12	.286
Brooklyn	20	20	.500	St. Louis	11	.286

Shamrock III. at Fayal.

Fayal, Azores Islands, June 4.—Sir Thomas Lipton's steam yacht Erin and the challenger for the America's cup, the Shamrock III, from Gourock, Scotland, May 28, have arrived here. The Shamrock III was in tow of the Erin when she reached here.

Aged Presbyterian Delegate Dead.

Los Angeles, Cal., June 4.—R. H. McCollum of Duluth, Minn., a commissioner to the Presbyterian assembly, has died at the California hospital. Mr. McCollum was eighty-one years of age and was taken ill on his way to Los Angeles.

Italian State Pawn Shop Burned.

Rome, June 4.—The Monte di Pietà (state pawnbroking establishment) at Naples was destroyed by fire. The strong room filled with valuables was gutted. The damage, according to some reports, amounts to \$2,400,000.

## A TRIO OF STRANGERS APPEAR IN COURT

The Bunch Will Go to the County  
Jail to Serve Ten Days For  
Intoxication.

Three offenders were gathered in by the police last evening, one of whom registered a vigorous muscular protest. All three are strangers in Barre, all of them pleaded guilty to being intoxicated, in city court this morning, and strangely enough the bunch decided to spend 10 days together in the county jail rather than leave any money with the city court.

The men are John Kelley of Springfield, Mass., arrested by Officer Nicholson late yesterday afternoon, John Egan of Lunenburg, coopered by Officer Hamel and Thomas Mansfield of Dalton, N. H., who was taken care of by Officer Wood. All three made a descent on Montpelier today under the chaperonage of the officers.

Kelley was the one who made a little trouble for the officer. When on the march to the police station he demurred and a squabble for the supremacy ensued then and there between Kelley and Officer Nicholson. The excitement took place on the sidewalk in front of the Gordon block on Main street, and it only subsided when the officer came down with a thump on top of Kelley as both landed on the sidewalk. Special Officer Perry assisted the rest of the way to the station and Kelley went, all the while letting out war whoops.

## THE MISSION.

Non-Catholic Mission to Begin Monday and  
Continue Week.

The mission that is being conducted by the Passionist Fathers of W. Hoboken, N. J., at St. Monica's church will close for the men on Sunday afternoon next. On Monday, June 8th, Rev. Xavier Sattion, the eminent pulpit orator, will open a non-Catholic mission which will continue for one week.

This is the scope of the lectures to non-Catholics that are to be given here next week. The lecturer will endeavor to represent clearly the Catholic Church as she knows herself to be. A feature of the lectures will be the opportunity it will afford inquiring minds to satisfy themselves on any doubt that they may have with regard to the Catholic Church. To this end will be established the "Question Box." Into this box any person may place a written statement of any question he may wish answered, or any doubt he may wish cleared up. The lecturer will answer fully and charitably all points of discussion that may be thus suggested. Every non-Catholic possesses the privilege of asking a question, but it is not necessary to add one's name. A most cordial invitation is therefore extended to all non-Catholics of Barre and of the surrounding villages and country to be present at the lectures and to take an active part in promoting unbiased discussion. Admission free and seats for all. No religious services in connection with these lectures.

## WATER FAMINE IN RUTLAND.

Supply in Reservoir Cannot Last But Three  
Days Longer.

Rutland, June 3.—Rutland is threatened with a water famine unless there is rain within a few days. The head reservoir is less than half full and the amount which runs in at night is not sufficient to raise the level at all, while heavy floods are being made each day into the supply. It is stated that at the present rate the supply in the reservoir would be entirely exhausted in about three days.

The mayor and the water committee held a meeting tonight and issued an order that all use of hose, use of water for sprinkling streets, or for motors to run elevators should stop as well as for motors where there is any other source of power. All other users of motors are warned to prepare to get their power from other sources. All persons violating this order will have their water cut off.

The Mendon stream is all being turned into the reservoir and is dwindling rapidly.

The Chittenden stream is considered unfit for use on account of the large amount of vegetation decaying in the pond behind the newly constructed dam of the Chittenden Power company.

## LOCAL MAIL DELAYED.

By Freight Collision at Northfield Yesterday Morning.

The morning mail was late in reaching this city yesterday morning owing to a freight wreck at Northfield, in which several trainmen received quite serious injuries. While crossing Elbow bridge an early east bound freight broke in two, the rear section, consisting of three cars and a caboose, smashing into the first section smashing one car and derailing three others.

Conductor H. A. Dunbar of St. Albans, who was in the caboose, was thrown headlong and was severely bruised besides sustaining a badly sprained ankle. Brakeman Andrew H. Chaboune of St. Albans who was on top of the caboose was caught between the top of the caboose and the next car, and pinned so tightly that he had to be chopped out. No bones were broken but internal injuries are feared. A wrecking train was sent from St. Albans to clear the wreckage.

## THE EVILS OF INTEMPERANCE.

Fr. Alexis of Cincinnati Gave Fine Address  
Last Evening.

Rev. Father Alexis of Cincinnati lectured on the evils of intemperance at St. Monica's church last evening before a large audience. His lecture was a very able one and was followed with the closest attention by those present.

He spoke of intemperance as a destroyer of man's usefulness, his health, his social standing, his business and his home. He pointed out emphatically the need of influencing and educating the young men to fight against intemperance.

## BITUMINOUS MACADAM.

Agent Wants to Pave  
Main St. With It.

## HE MET CITY COUNCIL

Admitted that Granite Paving Block  
Was Best Pavement of All  
For Wear.

A special meeting of the city council was held last evening to hear P. S. Kaull, representing the Warren Brothers Co., manufacturers of bituminous paving materials of Boston.

Mr. Kaull described to the council the method of manufacture of bituminous macadam, which is a mixture of top rock and red dirt. This is laid two inches thick over a bed of small stone of about four inches thickness.

In the discussion that followed, Alderman Currier, at the request of Mr. Kaull, stated that the superintendent of streets in Worcester thought bituminous paving the coming street, but for heavy traffic there was nothing so good as a granite block paving.

Mr. Currier asked if the Warren Co. would be willing to give a good long guarantee? Mr. Kaull replied that was something the city would have to pay for. He stated that with a five years' guarantee the paving would cost about 15 cents additional per square yard or \$2.25.

In reply to a query as to the length of life of his paving, Mr. Kaull thought it would wear until worn out, it would not break or rough up. He would not undertake to say it would outwear granite paving. In laying the bituminous macadam roadbed Mr. Kaull stated top rock was used and would have to be shipped into the city from Meriden, Conn., or Westfield, Mass.

After some further discussion it was voted to refer the matter to the street committee to report on later.

## MCDONALD--McCAULAY.

Pretty Church Wedding at Granvilleville  
Last Evening.

Granvilleville, June 4.—One of the prettiest weddings of the season was held at the Presbyterian church last evening when Miss Flora A. McDonald, daughter of Angus McDonald, was united in marriage to John W. McCauley also of Granvilleville. The ceremony was performed by Rev. T. H. Mitchell of Barre.

The church had been elaborately trimmed for the occasion with plants and flowers, and made a very pretty setting for the wedding. At 8 o'clock when the ceremony was performed the church was filled with the relatives and friends of the contracting parties, both of whom are well-known and popular young people of this place. The bridesmaid was Miss Emma McDonald, a sister of the bride, and the best man was Angus McCauley.